CLAIMS

1. A flame retardant comprising an aromatic group-containing organosiloxane compound

wherein said compound has the following mean composition formula (1),

does not flow at 23℃,

flows at 200℃,

does not gelate when heated at 200℃ with stirring for 30 minutes, and

has a number average molecular weight of not less than 2,000 and at the same time, dissolves not less than 100 g in 1 L of a solvent toluene at 23℃:

$R^1_mR^2_nSiO_{(4-m-n)/2}$ (1)

in the formula, R^1 represents a univalent aliphatic hydrocarbon group containing 1 to 4 carbon atoms; R^2 represents a univalent aromatic hydrocarbon group containing 6 to 24 carbon atoms; R^1 and R^2 each may contain two or more species; and m and n are numbers satisfying $1.1 \leqq m + n \leqq 1.7$ and $0.4 \leqq n/m \leqq 2.5$.

2. A flame retardant resin composition

which comprises 0.2 to 20 parts by weight of the flame retardant (A) comprising an aromatic group-containing organosiloxane compound according to Claim 1 relative to 100 parts by weight of a resin (B) having an oxygen or sulfur atom and an aromatic ring within the molecule thereof.

3. The flame retardant resin composition according to Claim 2,

wherein the aromatic group-containing organosiloxane compound (A) is dispersed with the number average dispersed particle diameter within the range of 0.01 μm to 0.5 μm in the resin (B) having an oxygen or sulfur atom and an aromatic ring within the molecule thereof.